

**Albuquerque Area Dental Support Center
Annual Report to the Area Dental Officers
August 1, 2007 through July 31, 2008**

Goal 1: Provide assistance and support in oral health promotion and disease prevention particularly in the area of primary prevention.	
By July 31, 2008 the Support Center will have	Results
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> written a minimum of two grant proposals on behalf of local dental programs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> March of Dimes: project successfully funded to increase number of pregnant women being seen at Albuquerque IHS Dental Clinic, Mescalero, Santa Fe Samuel D. Harris Fund for Children's Dental Health: proposal submitted to expand community outreach efforts to grandparents, as the primary caregivers, in conjunction with preventive fluoride and sealant programs across the Santa Fe Service Unit
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> provided direct assistance in the implementation of health promotion programs for a minimum of 3 local dental programs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Various resources including toothbrushes, Dental Medication Reference Guides, CDT Coding Books, and ear plugs distributed to all programs K-12 PowerPoint Presentation Binders developed and distributed to all programs Delivered 30 community Oral Health presentations, 3 educational displays, and provided hands-on assistance with 1 school screening event
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> developed and coordinated one oral health communication campaign on behalf of the Area. 	<p>Children's Dental Health Month (February 2008) included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> over 128 spots and/or interviews across 5 radio markets 29 ads across 12 print markets partnered with ADA for Give Kids A Smile Launch featuring Albuquerque Area in a national satellite broadcast picked up by 11 affiliates
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> designed, published, distributed and evaluated at least one culturally and reading-level appropriate oral health material. 	<p>"First Tooth – First Exam" campaign (waiting area posters for patients and "prescription pads" for medical providers to "refer" patients to their respective dental programs) developed; implementation is currently in process</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> explored the possibility of collaboration with other programs (e.g., WIC or I diabetes program) on an oral health promotion effort. 	<p>Collaborating on a regular basis with the following (as well as many others):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Department of Health Oral Health Program through NM Oral Health Advisory Council and Surveillance Advisory Group University of Colorado American Indian Program ADA and NM Dental Association
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> coordinated and facilitated four conference calls and at least one face-to-face meeting of the Area Dental Prevention Coordinators. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Calls occurred October 07, January, April and July 08 Face-to-face meetings occurred July 07 and scheduled for August 08

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Goal 2: Continue the established efforts of the Albuquerque Area Dental Support Center as a centralized resource for training and technical consultation for I/T/U dental programs.	
By July 31, 2008, the Support Center will have	Results
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> updated the core data set of health status and clinic utilization data for the Area. 	Data for individual programs complete. Area-wide compilation in process.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> sponsored and coordinated a minimum of three continuing education opportunities for I/T/U dentists, hygienists, and/or dental assistants. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual Chiefs Meeting (3.5 hours CEU) Prevention Coordinators Annual Meeting (2 hours CEU) Clinical Management of Adult & Pediatric Head and Neck Lesions (16 hours CEU) NM Dental Association Annual Meeting: scholarships offered to all Dental Chiefs; sponsored 4 Dental Chiefs and/or their delegate (all CEUs necessary to maintain NM licensure) Infection Control: 1 session complete; 2nd session scheduled for September 2008 (2 hours CEU)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> in collaboration with Area Dental Chiefs, completed a minimum of three clinical site reviews. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> San Felipe at Alamo: completed October 2007 Dulce at Jemez: completed November 2007 Mescalero at Ysleta del Sur: completed January 2008 Ignacio at Pine Hill: completed May 2008 Pine Hill at Sandia: scheduled for July 17, 2008
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> consulted with, provided technical assistance or information to 75% of the Area Dental Chiefs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In a formal survey conducted in 2007 (with a 72% response rate) 92.3% reported they/their staff had consulted with or received technical assistance or information 100% reported timely and professional interactions with the DSC Respondents also highlighted what services were most useful, what services would be helpful that were currently not offered, and any other feedback they were inclined to share
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> coordinated and facilitated monthly conference calls and at least one face-to-face meeting on behalf of Area Dental Chiefs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Calls occurred August, October 07, January, March, May and July 08 Face-to-face meetings occurred July 07 and scheduled for August 08
Goal 3: Provide technical assistance and resources for national IHS dental initiatives.	
By July 31, 2008, the Support Center will have	Results
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> made available at least one continuing education opportunity to I/T/U dental providers working in Areas without a Dental Support Center. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Navajo Area apprised of Clinical Management of Adult & Pediatric Head and Neck Lesions Information on scholarships for NM Health Resources Provider Retreat forwarded to Navajo Area
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> provided assistance or coordination to at least two national IHS initiatives. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contributed technical assistance and local background information toward IHS presentation to NM Dental Association Annual Meeting Provided Continuing Education with on-site support for Advanced Perio training held in the Albuquerque Area